

Strassburg $\frac{1}{2}$ Krietenaustrasse 33

Dec. 2 1884



Prof. H. de Lacaze Duthiers —

The inclosed note, which Mr. Alex. Agassiz has kindly written for transmittal to you will acquaint you with my desires.

It is my wish to study for a time at your zoological station at Roscoff (or Baynals-sur-Mer), before returning to the United States.

In case you can find it convenient to accommodate me will you please inform me of the conditions of study at your Laboratory at Roscoff? Also the date at which the same is open. I should like to begin work at the residence as soon as possible after the last of January 1884, and continue until May.

Very Truly

Howard Ayers.

Prof. H. de Lacaze Duthiers.
Faculté des Sciences
Paris.

Strassburg i/s. Dec. 8. 1884



Dear Sir

Your favour of the 7th inst. received, and in reply allow me to thank you for your very generous offers. It will give me the greatest pleasure to be able, at your suggestion, to enjoy the opportunities for study at both of your sea-side laboratories - Banyuls and Roscoff. As near as can be determined at present I shall be in position to go to Banyuls about the last of January or the first of February (I will inform you of the exact date as soon as possible) and shall be pleased to visit Roscoff about the first of May when I could study until June. I take the liberty to send you today two papers on Zoo. subjects.

I am, my dear Sir

Very Truly Yours
Howard Ayers.

Strassburg. Krietenauerstrasse 33

Strasbourg, $\frac{1}{2}$ January 19/
1885

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Prof. Lacaze-Duthiers

Dear Sir,

I shall leave
Strasbourg on the 28 of this month
for Banguls-sur-Mer and hope
to begin work in the first week
of February, in your laboratory.

As far as I can
determine at present I shall
be pleased to remain there during
the months of February, March,
and April after which I hope
to be able to make a short
stay of 3 or 4 weeks at your
laboratory at Roscoff.

Again assuring you that
I highly appreciate these favors
at your hands

I remain
Yours Truly

Howard Ayers



Laboratoire Arago

Banyuls - sur - Mer.

Feb. 19 1885

M. Prof. H. de Lacaze - Duthiers
in Paris



Dear Sir

Your "Préparateur", M. Joubin has advised me to write to you concerning the following; as he informs me he has no authority to act in the matter.

I very much desire to preserve the dissections of animals which I make in my studies of the mediterranean fauna, and to take them with me to America. I do not wish to make a collection of the animals found here, but simply to reserve for my own personal use as teacher hereafter, the preparations made here. I will gladly furnish the alcohol and glasses and bear any other unusual expense, so that the laboratory need not be at an expense on this account.

I have been at work in your laboratory now for more than two weeks, since through the kindness of M. Joubin I was able to begin immediately after my arrival. The pleasant working rooms of the laboratory and the rich fauna render studying here extremely enjoyable.

Thanking you for the favours I am now enjoying at your hands I remain

Very Respectfully
Howard Ayers.